

## Newsletter

<http://www.midwestwoodworkers.org>

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### President's Letter

#### Norm Anderson

A big thank you to Ron Cox for his presentation on wood burning. I will admit that I was a little skeptical that wood burning could be that interesting. The work he does is amazing and the presentation on the various types of wood burners and tips was very interesting.

NEXT MEETING: Monday April 23rd 6:30 PM at Boone County Millworks  
Thomas Yang and Richard Green  
Invention Scouts Executive/Director of Sinquefield & Invention Lab & Program Building  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

We will have a presentation by Boy Scouts of America at the Boone county Millworks. They will bring their INVENTION LAB TRAILER. Look at the link <http://www.inventionscouts.org/> They will give a short presentation of their Boy Scout training facility at Laurie and have a mobile invention trailer that is fitted with an epilog laser-engraving and cutting machine. They are looking for woodworking instructors and want some help from us as well. I believe it will be a great presentation and am looking forward to seeing their invention lab and laser engraving. I met Richard Green at Cardwell Hardwoods last December and we discussed the possibility of our MWA group touring their facility at Laurie and hope that can fit a future meeting.

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We will also have a very short bonus presentation on YIN-YANG and a discussion of balance. I was wanting to build a drunken cutting board after a discussion with David Wharton about cutting drunken cutting boards and made a left turn at the corner of walk and don't walk. This is a very easy and fun project for the bandsaw. I will demonstrate how to layout and cut this. I also made a knife cut from a used blade from a John Deere air seeder. This blade is very sharp and holds an edge from a very hard high carbon steel (possibly Valyrian Steel from Game of Thrones). I will have some blanks if you want to try the art of knife making.

#### FUTURE MEETINGS

Annual picnic May 19 (Saturday).

OPEN date in June, but hoping on some computer graphics or a tour of a woodworking shop somewhere. If you have a presentation you would like to see or if you would want to volunteer for a presentation, please speak up.



#### AND THE SIGN SAYS

##### **A SIGN IN A SHOE REPAIR STORE IN VANCOUVER READS:**

We will heel you

We will save your sole

We will even dye for you.

##### **A SIGN ON A BLINDS AND CURTAIN TRUCK:**

"Blind man driving."

##### **Sign over a Gynecologist's Office:**

"Dr. Jones, at your cervix."

##### **In a Podiatrist's office:**

"Time wounds all heels."

##### **On a Septic Tank Truck :**

Yesterday's Meals on Wheels

##### **At an Optometrist's Office :**

"If you don't see what you're looking for,

You've come to the right place."

##### **On a Plumber's truck :**

"We repair what your husband fixed."

##### **On another Plumber's truck :**

"Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."

##### **At a Tire Shop in Milwaukee :**

"Invite us to your next blowout."

##### **On an Electrician's truck :**

"Let us remove your shorts."

##### **In a Non-smoking Area:**

"If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and will take appropriate action."

##### **On a Maternity Room door :**

"Push. Push. Push."

##### **At a Car Dealership :**

"The best way to get back on your feet - miss a car payment."

##### **Outside a Muffler Shop:**

"No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

##### **In a Veterinarian's waiting room :**

"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

##### **At the Electric Company:**

"We would be delighted if you send in your payment on time.

However, if you don't, YOU will be de-lighted."

**In a Restaurant window:**  
"Don't stand there and be hungry; come on in and get fed up."  
**In the front yard of a Funeral Home :**  
"Drive carefully. We'll wait."  
**At a Propane Filling Station:**  
"Thank Heaven for little grills."  
**In a Chicago Radiator Shop:**  
"Best place in town to take a leak."  
**And the best one for last...;**  
Sign on the back of another Septic Tank Truck:  
"Caution - This Truck is full of Political Promises"

### **March 2018 MWA Meeting**

The March meeting of the Midwest Woodworkers' Association was held on Monday March 26, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Boone County Millwork Shop. Norm Anderson presided. There were 18 members and 2 guests present.

Thomas Yang representing the Boy Scouts gave some information about the group's Invention Laboratory. He and a colleague will bring their equipment trailer and will make a presentation at the April MWA meeting.

The treasurer's report showed a combined balance of \$5770 for the woodworkers and the woodturners.

There will be a workshop for the Christmas Toy Project at 6:30 PM at the PET shop on Thursday March 29 and there will be a turning workshop at Ernest Hildebrand's garage at 6:30 PM on Thursday April 5.

The annual MWA spring picnic with our guests from Coyote Hills will be held at Stephens Park on Saturday May 19, 2018.

Tom Hutchinson shared a reference book on the many aspects of spalted wood.

Scott Stager found 13/64" bits on sale at Mennards and brought a supply to share with the club members. This is the proper size to drill holes for axel pegs in car bodies for the club's Christmas Toy Project. Thanks, Scott

The program for the evening was given by Ron Cox of Doghouse Woodworking, Fulton, MO. He gave a very interesting and useful presentation on pyrography (woodburning). He showed examples of some of the equipment available and covered the advantages and disadvantages of each. He also brought examples of some of his work which was most impressive. Thanks Ron for an informative evening!



Ron Cox showed his pyrography equipment and his artwork to the club members at the March meeting.

## Show and Tell



Paul Hobbs showed a flag case he made to donate to a silent auction



Steve Pagan brought a walnut lap desk with magnetic pencil holders.



Norm Anderson brought pizza cutters and a spatula with turned handles and a stand to display them. He also showed several turned rolling pins.

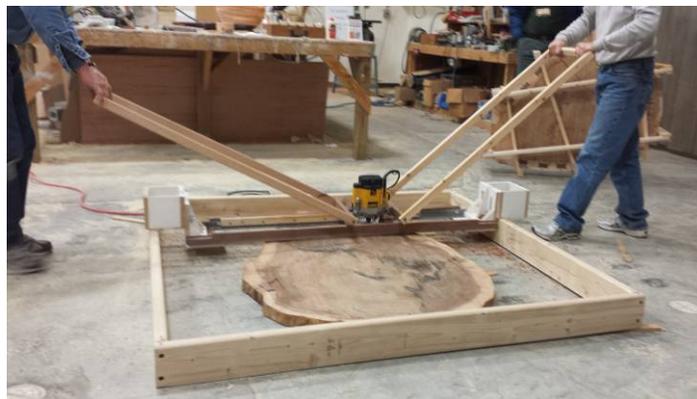
Tom Stauder brought a sculpture entitled Fibonacci on a Stick made from an unknown species of wood from the Philippines. Unfortunately, the photographer was not paying attention and did not get a photograph. Sorry, Tom! The Fibonacci numbers are the sequence characterized by the fact that every number after the first two is the sum of the two preceding (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, etc.). Each segment of Tom's spiral was cut with a radius following the Fibonacci sequence.

### **Drawings**

The first door prize was a sharpening stone and went to Ron Cox. The second door prize of a bottle of glue went to Tom Hutchinson. The raffle was a \$20.00 gift certificate to Cardwell Lumber and went to Terry Selby.

### **Flashback**

Tom and Ernest showed the club how they flattened a large slab in 2014. (Photos from Norm Anderson)



## Looking Ahead

### Club Officers

MWA officers for the coming year are elected at the June meeting. Karl Haak has served as secretary for as long as anyone can remember, possibly since the club was founded. Unfortunately, Karl is recovering from some health issues and will be unable to attend the meetings for several more months so the club will need someone to take over as secretary and give Karl a much needed break. Other officers will also be up for election and members are needed to fill those positions.

Also, I plan to be gone for much of the summer of 2018 and we could use either a new newsletter editor or a temporary editor for the summer.

If you are interested in taking a leadership role in managing the club, please come to the June meeting prepared to volunteer.

### Dues

Yearly dues are payable at the June meeting.

## Woodworking Resources

### Cardwell Lumber

5927 Business 50 West  
Jefferson City, MO 65109

573-893-2836

[retailsales@cardwelllumber.com](mailto:retailsales@cardwelllumber.com)

<http://cardwellhardwoods.com/>

Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM-12 noon

Domestic and exotic hardwoods, sheet goods,  
power and hand tools, woodworking supplies

Columbia, MO 65202-3737

573-397-6432

### Born Again Barns

Tammy Rosek

874 Anita Ave.

Antioch, Illinois 60002

847-265-1500

[https://www.facebook.com/BornAgainBarnsAntioch/?hc\\_location=ufi](https://www.facebook.com/BornAgainBarnsAntioch/?hc_location=ufi)

By appointment only

Solid wood slabs and boards, barnwood,  
reclaimed wood

### Taylor Toolworks

<https://www.taytools.com>

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